

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: HOLDSTOCK et al.	)	Examiner: William K. Cheung
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Application Number: 09/977,880	)	Group Art Unit: 1796
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Filed: October 15, 2001	)	Confirmation No.: 3435
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Docket No.: 674515-2003 (3038-013)	)	Customer No.: 81693

For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A DIOL

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 17, 2008

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2008, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before December 19, 2008.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin at page 8 of this paper.